As the pages of time have turned since last year, it has become clear that this was to be a novel year! The changes in this year over last are many and noticeable, from unexpected victories in athletics to new activity in student government. New scholarships from Robert Schroeder and in memory of John F. Halling have become available to our seniors, and this year we tested out as the top school in the county in the Emporia scholarship tests. Stu-Co started the new extra-sandwich lunch program, and they acquired a soft-serve ice cream machine, not to mention negotiating with the school board about prom's dress code. We won the state championship in 8-man football once again, making this the fourth time in five years that our boys have managed to pull off this athletic feat. The surprise of the year, however, was the boys' basketball team. Going from 1-19 last year to 13-9 this year, is quite an accomplishment. They also took third place and the hustle award at the Immaculata Tournament, and Tim Becker was put on the All-Tournament Team. The quiz-bowl team missed going on television by seventy-three points at the High-Q competition, and the performance in the Knowledge Bowl competition was very ak-cep-tie! This year saw the National Honor Society awake from its dormant state to sponsor the Harlem Thriller's basketball game against a menagerie of Midway coaches and alumni. What makes this year novel is the change that has been wrought in the way we students looked at school. We took part, we got involved, we maybe even cared a little, and while we may not be able to say we loved school, this year we've found some pride in it and ourselves.

△ Few schools know what it's like to be state champs for 3 of 4 years, think Mr. Martin and Mr. Juhl, coaches.
△ Eric Wood is often found resting between quiz bowl matches.
△ Jim Baker and Ric Baird discuss what the Stu-Co can do to better the school.
a Novel Year

Tim Becker, senior, gives us that “Hey Vern” look as he eats his chips.

Lawrence Christopher, freshman, doesn’t look up at the camera.

Neil Caudle and Thomas Albers, sophomores, Heather Zelt, freshman, Kim Gordon and Kellie Norris, juniors, relax after the athletic dinner at the Elks in Hiawatha.

Jim Baker, senior, is surrounded by freshmen Keith Courtin and Joseph Underwood.
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Mr. Baird awaits Mr. Juhl’s deadly serve.
Mr. Juhl, coach of the year, takes time to play ping pong with Mr. Baird.
Stacy Lentz tries to get Mario Anderson to smile for the camera, while Kim Purmort looks the other way.

Henry Peuker, junior, poses for the camera as he enters Mr. Ninemire’s class.
Leslie Godfrey, freshman, wanders aimlessly down the halls of Midway High School.
Marin Thomas, sophomore, hears the 12:30 bell and heads for his next class.
Joseph Underwood relaxes after the sports banquet at the Elks.
Marty Joyce and Eric Wood, seniors, play "Dueling Armpits.

Such a sad clown is Kim Purnor, freshman on clown day during spirit week.
"What is the gossip for today?" said Aogie Klaus to freshman classmate Sandy Matthias.
Mrs. Roberts and the food committee decide what to serve at prom.

"Oh! You shouldn't have done that," said David Johnson, freshman.
William Denton, freshman, gives a report to the general science class.
Thomas Albers tries to keep Pat Becker, sophomore, from throwing a "Temper Tantrum." The auto fundamentals class shows Mr. Juhl how to rebuild an engine.

"Yes, it's true, I'm a wonder in the shop," said Steve Jamvold, junior.

The juniors compare answers in Algebra II.

The freshman history class is literally a bunch of clowns on clown day during spirit week.
Chapter I
Student Life
World Events Hit Midway

The events of this past year have shown us that the world can sometimes be a nasty place. Mother Nature turned malevolent as Mexico was subjected to a terrible earthquake in September.

In November, it was a terrible volcanic explosion, causing a mudslide that killed nearly thirty-five thousand people. Maybe Mother Nature was retaliating for the large oil spill in Texas at the first of September. Whatever it was, she would have plenty to get back for in May of 1986. The Chernobyl reactor in Russia was the source of the worst nuclear accident in history, resulting in the land in a 50 mile radius being unlivable and the whole hemisphere affected by radiation. Yet, the Soviet official count says 3 dead and 9 injured. A remarkable working of luck, wouldn’t you say?

Yes, it was a year of tragedies and one that tugged the most at America's heartstrings, the space shuttle explosion. On January 28, 1986, the space shuttle “Challenger” exploded one minute and thirty seconds into flight, killing the first teacher in space, and six others.

Some of Mother Nature’s spirit of fury and vengeance must have rubbed off on the human race, as terrorism rose to a new high with Libya and Khadafi at the forefront. After a terrorist attack in West Germany was traced to Libya, the U.S. retaliated with an F-111 bombing of Tripoli, thus starting an all out terrorist war! And as if this weren’t enough, residents of Bendena found that their water was contaminated with carbon tetrachloride! But everything wasn’t so grim. It seems that some of the goodness in the human race remained as several benefits were held this year. “Hands Across America” is a nation-wide money raiser for the poor in America, and “Farm Aid” was held to help our farmers. An album called “Sun City” was made to protest apartheid and musicians recorded various songs to help the Ethiopian hunger victims. So, it has been a mean year, one full of tragedy and anger, but it seems that the milk of human kindness has managed to seep into the cracks.

The halls of Midway are quiet as the students are told of the exploding of the space shuttle “Challenger.”
Eric Wood announces the bombing of Tripoli to the students of Midway.

Jim Baker knows how it would feel to be locked up.

Susan Purner and Shelly Nimz study the map of the effects of the bombing in Tripoli.

The students of Midway were given a talk on drugs and alcohol and their effects.
Fads

Fads play a big part in how we dress, act, and live out our high school years. Sometimes it's like stepping back in time. Some of the clothes we wear today are like our parents wore when they were in high school: girls in stirrup pants; guys in penny loafers, straight leg jeans, and dark sunglasses. Hawaiian print shirts and jams were real big things this past summer. The thing that got started last summer but didn't really catch on till now is short hair. People coming to school in crew cuts and flat tops are common now.

Mrs. Henry, music teacher, said "Music of the sixties is still played today. Clothes styles that were popular then are coming back."

▲ "Freeze, you weirdo alien!" Eric Wood, senior, and Mike Everhart, junior, hold Tim Becker, senior, at bay on Halloween.
▲ Kansas City Royals' winning the World Series brought all Royals shirt.
▲ "Hey, Vern! How's things goin'?" said Jeff Godfrey, senior, under that "Vern" mask.
▲ Terri Russell leg."
Movies were really big this year in the box office. Rambo: First Blood part II, Comando, Invasion U.S.A., and Rocky IV were the ones that brought in the people. "Miami Vice" with Don Johnson and Phillip Michael Thomas is the big thing on television now. "The Cosby Show" has people rolling with laughter in front of their televisions. It is up there with "M.A.S.H." and "All in the Family" as all time sitcom greats.

"I feel they pick up the attitudes and bring about a new sense in patriotism in America," said Michael Brox, senior.

"Set the timer, hurry!" Tim Becker, senior, and Mike Everhart, junior, build a bomb in chemistry class.

Eric Wood, senior, shows his new but old hair style.

Terri Russell and Jesse Pierce, sophomores, show off Jesse's new fed, a broken leg.

Marty Joyce and Eric Wood, seniors, try to weld Mr. Penix's coffee pot shut.
Attitude: Problem

Last year the yearbook was very negative. Everyone let it be known that they didn’t like it. This year we tried to make it better and not so negative. But when we started looking at the stories we had written, they seemed as negative as last year’s.

There was not much we could do about the fact that our staff couldn’t find things more positive. Our school is, in a way, stuck in a rut, as far as exciting things go.

Two-thirds of the student body in this school thinks there is an attitude problem at Midway, although a few see no problem at all. Asked, “Do you think there is a lack of school spirit and who is responsible?” a senior answered, “Yes, well since it’s against the rules to get any time out of class to decorate anything like we used to do, you can’t expect much school spirit. I don’t know whose idea it is to keep these things from happening, but it’s either the board or the faculty’s fault. Just because the ‘OLD FOOGIES’ forget what high school was like and how to have fun doesn’t mean they should keep the kids from having fun.”

The bleacher stomping at a varsity basketball game came to an abrupt halt after a teacher told the kids to cease.

This brought the students to arms against the school. But Angie Hager, senior, said, “It was in bad judgment to stomp while the other team was shooting free throws. Any other time during the game would have been alright.”

Roger Caudle, parent, said, “I thought the students could have expressed themselves in a more dignified way.”

“What I have seen in the past is getting deeper and deeper each year. To crawl out is going to take a lot of work. The students, faculty, administration, and parents are going to have to work together to help save the school spirit in the future,” commented Eric Wood, senior.

“During basketball and volleyball fewer parents and students attended, but for football everyone showed up for home and away games. We need people to support the school, not just the students.”

“The cheerleaders and pep club sponsors should attend all games. It might help if they were more involved,” commented a junior.

A teacher’s response to the same question “I have noticed over the years our outward enthusiasm is not what it used to be, but I have also noticed we have an inner pride and commitment that we didn’t have. Let’s not let people convince us stomping bleachers while the opponent is trying to shoot free throws is school spirit.”

“BUT, there are many advantages to a small school such as Midway that often go unnoticed and are taken for granted. If one has ever seen a large school and the scene created there, he or she would appreciate the small school scene more.

While we may not have all the classes and opportunities of a larger school, our education is more individualized because our classes often number from only 2 students to no more than 20. Very often a larger school could have classes with over 30 people, and one would feel like “just a statistic.” Here at Midway, we have the advantage of an individual education.

Angie Hager, senior, said, “Here at Midway I feel that I learn much more because there are fewer students and the teacher can spend more time with each individual student.”

Walking in the halls and being surrounded by the entire student body but yet knowing each and every one provides for a much friendlier atmosphere.

Miss Spinuzi, a student teacher in English from Benedictine College, likes the small town atmosphere. She likes the way the school, teachers, and students get along together. Everyone helps each other out when someone needs help. She also enjoys the small town atmosphere and how everyone likes and knows everyone they see. She enjoys the friendliness that makes for a close knit body.”

A popular saying often heard was that “if you don’t like their job, they will do it anyway, because they know people didn’t like it to done. For example at one time the principal was at lunch for a few minutes and the staff started throwing things. The principal was unavailable that day so the faculty was responsible for taking care of the students.

Mr. Bais was in the way maybe a few years ago, that maybe was even worse. All the social systems of the school are made up of what the students are made up of. It’s up to the students to make our education worth something, a true education and not just something for a grade. What you can’t do is just give up and expect something to happen.”

Mr. Juhl, football coach, gives a speech at a pep rally while Jean Albers and Angie Hager look on.

Leighanna Cerami and Anne Joyce, juniors, take 40 winks in English.

Stuco gave the students special treatment and gave a special status to the teachers.

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at Midway, Yes or No?

the small school and said, "Coming to school, knowing that I will be among friends, is a really good feeling. Almost everyone knows everyone else, and this makes for a real unity in the student body."

A popular complaint during the year was that the organizations didn't do their job. A close look shows that these people did do a fine job in getting things done. For one, Stuco presented the idea of the students buying an extra portion at lunch for $.75 to the administration and through the constant effort of Stuco, this provision was made available to the students. NHS was responsible for raising enough money to provide a scholarship for qualified seniors.

Mr. Baird, counselor, said, "So Midway may not have everything, but maybe we have an inner stability in our social system that other schools don't have. We need to take what we have and make the most of it. After all, the students are what make the school, and it's up to each and every one of us to make our school year enjoyable and educational. Don't keep blaming someone else ... Look at yourself and what you can do individually."

Thomas Albers, sophomore, Ric Baird and Jeff Caudle, seniors, sit in the almost vacant pep section.
Junior Play Successful

On October 18, the junior class put on a Dinner Theater called "They Run in Our Family." It was about a sports-oriented family who has to contend with a hard driving athletic coach who wants to finally have a winning season, which he did in the end.

Dennis Meredith said, "It turned out better than expected because everyone would not show up for practices and they wouldn't learn their lines."

The cast members are drawn toward Buzz (D. Meredith) as he tries to remember his lines.

Kelly Norris said, "When we started working on the play, it became really fun."

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Seymour — Thomas Albers
Sam — Mike Everhart

Although many, the play a great success. Everyone enjoyed themselves.

Eric Wood said, "I am not sure what the presentation of the play will be."

Jim Baker said, "I am always having fun being around everyone."

Regina Thomas said, "The. Mike Everhart punches Steve Jamvold while practicing for the play.

One thing that went really well was the chemistry of the play."

"I thought the play was great, and we can be proud of it."

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Mitze (K. Keys) smiles at the camera to get a picture of herself.
The Prime Time Crime

Although the practices were dreaded by many, the senior play this year was a success. Everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves the night of the play. Eric Wood said, "It was a lot better than what the practices were like."

Jim Baker thought, "It was a lot of fun being able to be a ham and having people laugh at you because they were supposed to."

Regina Thomas added, "I think it went really well after everyone got the hang of it."

One thing that most of the seniors agree on is that the play went much better than their play last year. Mr. Baird said, "I thought the seniors did a real good job on the play this year and they can be proud of it."

Director — Mr. Bob Baird
Jive Eddie — Jeff Caudle
Able — Jeff Caudle
Ballerina — Shelly Nimz
Vivian — Shelly Nimz
Aristotle — Jeff Godfrey
Kane — Jeff Godfrey
Cracker — Todd Parker
Boy — Todd Parker
Policeman — Tim Becker
Charlie — Todd Parker
Reggie — Todd Parker
Kojacket — Jamie Hundertmark
Sorbona — Regina Thomas
Nellie — Melinda Anderson
Kathryn — Melinda Anderson

Boris — Michael Brox
Tony — Michael Brox
Norborinski — Mike Long
Chives — Mike Long
Borrota — Ric Baird
Marie — Angie Hager
David — Jim Baker
Arthur — Marty Joyce
Dill — Sheryl Cluck
Abigail — Susan Purmort
Danner — Eric Wood

▲ Skinhead, the old bag, and Mr. Macho hang out at the Senior Play.
▲ "Okay, the next time he yells at us, you get the gun . . ."
▲ "What do you mean 'suck in my stomach some more'?" exclaims Shelly to Mrs. Moulden.
A Traditional Homecoming at Midway

For some, Homecoming is a long anticipated event to see who is crowned king and queen; but for others, it's just another Midway football game.

Anne Joyce, junior, commented, "In a way I look forward to it, but it doesn't seem like anyone makes a big deal out of it."

On the other hand, Michael Brox, senior, said, "I wasn't excited for Homecoming at all because people didn't make it exciting."

On October 4, 1985, Melinda Anderson was crowned Homecoming queen by King Tim Becker before the Midway-Stewartsville game. Her attendants were Sheryl Cluck escorted by Ric Baird and Susan Purnort escorted by Jeff Godfrey. The crown bearer was Kevin Juhl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Juhl, and the flower girl was Sara Burke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Burke.

King Tim Becker gives Melinda Anderson the "big" kiss.

Susan Purnort, Melinda Anderson and Sheryl Cluck freeze while sitting on the float.

Dennis Meredith, Steve Jamvold, and Pat Tharp are proud of the goal post they made in the junior's half territory during spirit week. The juniors won the half decorations.

Jeff Caudle and Jeff Godfrey, seniors, are Midway's cutest cheerleaders on twin day.

Kellie Norris and Kim Gordon salute the camera on twin day.
1985 Homecoming King and Queen, Tim Becker and Mehinda Anderson

A classy couple; Sheryl Cluck escorted by Ric Baird.

Flower girl, Sara Burke, patiently waits while crown bearer, Kevin Juhl, has second thoughts.

Attendents Susan Purmort and Jeff Godfrey

Attendents Sheryl Cluck and Rick Baird
Midway's First Sophomore King

Pat Becker, sophomore, was the first sophomore crowned king of Courts in Midway's history. When asked how he felt about being the first sophomore king, Pat was speechless.

Pat Becker and Anne Joyce were crowned king and queen at the annual Snowball festivities on January 17, 1986.

Both the girl's varsity and the boy's varsity were victorious over the Fillmore Blue Devils. After the two games, a dance was held in the cafeteria. Jeff Caudle and Michael Brox assisted Pastor Harlan Kaden in djing the dance.

Anne Joyce, junior, said, "It's an honor to be the reigning Queen of Courts for Midway."

The crownbearer was Bryant Kaden, son of Pastor and Mrs. Harlan Kaden, Bendena.

The flower girl was Elisa Hundley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hundley, Atchison.
Pat Becker fumbles with the envelope that contains the name of the 1986 queen.

The Snowball royalty and their court are as follows: front row (l to r.) Shelly Witz, senior; Anna Joyce, junior, queen; Kristi Shuetz, sophomore; Angie Nigus, freshman; back row (l to r.) Jeff Caudle, senior; Pat Becker, sophomore, King; Pat Urban, junior, Todd Caudle, freshman.

Angie Hager, last year's queen, helps the flower girl, Elisa Hundley and Bryant Kaden, crownbearer.

Candidates Pat Urban, junior, and Kristi Shuetz, sophomore.

Freshman candidates Todd Caudle and Angie Nigus.
A night that everyone looks forward to is the Jr.-Sr. Prom. This year was no different. The juniors and their mothers worked hard to get the gym decorated, the food prepared, a band to play, and the invitations sent, and during all this they had to find time to get a date! All of the chaos paid off though when all the girls in their beautiful gowns and the guys in the sharp suits strolled into the Midway gym.

A tropical scene of palm trees and pineapples greeted their eyes, and later on, the music of Vogue treated their ears.

The meal was on time and there was plenty for all although some went so far as to eat the pineapple table decorations!

The wills and prophecies were read and chuckled over. The class pictures were taken as the band warmed up after the meal.

This year marked a change in dress, as Stu-Co and the school Board encouraged the students to remain formally dressed throughout the dance. Ryan Winchester, sophomore, said, "The dressing up was okay, because the girls were looking sharp, but since Mr. Miller wouldn't let us open the doors, it was like an oven in there!"

The heat seemed to be the main problem, but since everyone likes to look good, it wasn't much of a problem.

As the band wound down at 12:30, the lights came on and everyone slipped into their jeans and went to Rick Wood's for the party and to the breakfast at Leo Berry's. Everyone ate their fill of pancakes, sausage, and eggs. Finally, everyone made their way home with a full stomach and memories of another successful Prom.
The Prom servers include (l. to r.): J. Page, K. Schuetz, M. Anderson, K. Holchey, S. Lentz, P. Becker; kneeling (l. to r.): J. Ricklefs, A. Lemke, B. Coy.

This year's band for Prom was Vogue.
Mike Long reads the senior wills. Mary Anderson keeps her eye on Melinda and Neil.

The band, Vogue, gets started at 9:00 p.m. for a night of dancing.
The awards banquet was successful this year in honoring many well deserving students. The P.T.O. scholarships were given to Angie Hager and Melinda Anderson. The American Legion award winners were Mike Long, Angie Hager, Marty Joyce, and Melinda Anderson. This year there were two new scholarships made available to the seniors. One was the Robert Schroeder scholarship given to a person planning to attend K.U., and the other was in memory of John F. Halling. The Robert Schroeder scholarship was presented to Jeff Caudle and the John F. Halling scholarship was awarded to Mike Long.

"And here's the Jean Albers' best history teacher award, and here's the Jean Albers' best..."

Thomas Albers, sophomore, humbly receives his awards.

Mike Long, senior, was the recipient of the John F. Halling Scholarship.

"It's tough being a star!" thinks Matt Everhart, sophomore.

Michael Brox, senior, and Todd Caudle, freshman, were honored for their highest grade point average.
At the awards banquet, the students seem to be having more fun than ever before.

"My life is complete," says Todd Caudle after receiving his awards.

▲ Marty Joyce receives the American Legion honorable mention.
▲ Neil Caudle, Pat Becker, and Kristi Schuetz are inducted into the National Honor Society.
▲ "Aren't they going to play the National Anthem for me?" wonders Michael Brox.
Graduation at Long Last

At last, that long awaited event we had dreamed of since we entered high school had arrived. At the beginning of these four years, we hadn't anticipated the time would have gone so fast. Of course, we're all looking forward to future plans but we can never forget the memories that we have made at Midway High School.

The speaker for graduation was Robert Schroeder, the 1932 valedictorian of Bendena High School, who gave the seniors advice for a successful life.

- Todd Parker receives his diploma from Jerry Brox.
- Congratulations!!!
- What a relief think the seniors. For once, Tim Becker got by without the "shaft."

- Tim Becker laughs about the way Regina Thomas is marching.
- The senior boys, Jeff Godfrey, Marty Joyce, and Eric Wood, get ready to give flowers to their mothers.
- Jeff Caudie has second thoughts about graduating.

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Jamie Hundertmark gives the audience a sly look after graduating.
Michael Brox gets excited just thinking about furthering his education.

"And they told us it would be over in half an hour," thinks Jeff Godfrey.
Michael Brox says, "You got something against that?" while Mike Long and Mark Laverentz decide to resolve to plan "B."
Ric Baird receives his diploma from Lowell Anderson.
Senior Sneak. This year everyone thought it would be a year of fights, girls meeting, and lots of work and time, and this year the seniors took off for the morning with Leatherman and Metzler as sponsors. They chose to go to the trip, however, to the Midway, and his wife, went along as sponsors. They did not go along as sponsors but chose not to go on the trip. They were very glad to be there and end their senior year with much fun as we did.

The great weather was soon over and forgotten when we got wet and splashed by water.
Senior Sneak!  

Senior Sneak. Those two words make everyone think of wildness, water fights, girls meeting boys, and vice versa. They think of just an all-around good time, and this year they were right! The seniors took off from M.H.S. at 5:45 in the morning with Jim and Connie Leatherman and Mark and Nancy Martin as sponsors. The pleasant surprise of the trip, however, was that Mr. Tom Robinson, the former science teacher at Midway, and his wife Jean, were able to go along as sponsors. The space was made for them when some seniors chose not to go on sneak. Anyway, we were very glad to have Mr. Robinson and his wife, and we hope they had as much fun as we did with them.

The great water wars of '86 won't soon be forgotten, as people were splashed by water balloons, water guns with automatic water pumps, and trash cans of water from off the roof! People were shaving creamed, baby oiled, and then thrown in the lake. There also must have been baby oil on the diving board because Jim Baker while attempting a back-flip, misjudged his distance and bruised his ribs, split his chin, cracked his teeth, and almost caused a sponsor's nervous breakdown!

We rode the go-karts, we rode the bumper cars, some rode the mechanical bull, then everyone went to Denny Hilton's Country Shindig, and surprisingly enough, we loved it! We ate out every night, although our stomachs weren't too happy after the fish at the Happy Fisherman. We ran around Kalfran Lodge and Dogpatch and kept busy doing everything in sight and accumulating enough memories for a lifetime.

The old-time picture has become a tradition for the senior sneak at Midway.
"Milo" takes the "Nestea Plunge."

"You wouldn’t drop that trash can of water on me, would you?" asks Jeff Caudle.

Shelly Nitz reads bedtime stories to all.

The seniors were treated to a free ride on the Go-Karts by Mr. Robison, a former teacher at Midway.

"Oooh doggies, round ‘em up!" yells Mr. Martin as he tames the mechanical bull.

"Milo" applies suntan lotion to Melinda’s back.

"Quick, call Harold!" cries Jean as she holds up the catch of the day.
Even at 5:45 A.M. the senior boys are still their rowdy selves. Purnort armed with baby lotion, Anderson armed with saving cream, and Hager armed with baby oil attack poor, innocent, helpless Jim, not knowing they will be thrown in the lake later. The "Happy" sailors after eating at the Happy Fisherman.

“Quick, call Harold Ensley!” Ric, Tim, and Jeff struggle to hold up the catch of the day.

Susan and Melfinda, Lookin’ fine!

We’re All Sneaked Out!
Stuco Not Being Used Right

Stuco is on the same old track this year, filling the pop machine, getting DJ’s for Homecoming, and helping the students arbitrate problems dealing with the school.

"Stuco isn’t being used to its full extent," said Mr. Ninemire, Stuco sponsor. "The students don’t bring their problems to Stuco as they should be. They just sit around and gripe about the problems."

Jim Baker, senior, said, "This is true what Mr. Ninemire said. The students want changes in the school, but don’t want to work for them."

Jeff Caudle, senior, was asked what he thought about the workshop they attended in Baldwin City. He said, "I didn’t like the speaker very well, but I thought it gave us some ideas on how to improve Stuco."

NHS to Be More Active

The National Honor Society over the years has had many excellent students as members at Midway.

Mr. Baird, NHS sponsor, said, "In the past five years 65 percent have obtained scholarships. That is of the ones that went on to college and doesn't include athletic scholarships."

The students to be considered for the NHS are picked by the teachers in the high school. First they have to have a 3.35 GPA and maintain it.

"In the past years we haven't been very active. We hope to change that this year," said Angie Hager, senior.

Not pictured is Leighanna Cerami.
How did Midway's quiz bowl come about? It was founded by Mr. Leatherman during the 1984-85 school year. His interest was sparked by Washburn's High-Q games. Mr. Leatherman selected a team to compete against other schools. At the competition in Topeka, they were rated number one out of 1A and 2A divisions in Kansas.

Eric Wood, senior, said, "Considering the size of our school, we compete well with larger schools."

Just for fun, within the school teams compete against each other in tournaments. There are two tournaments within the school. One tournament is made up of juniors and seniors and the other of freshmen and sophomores. The teams are made up of three or four players and have some of the most original names imaginable. Some of the teams this year were, just to mention a few, "Herb and the Nincompoops," "Eddie and the Cruisers," and "Rigor mortis and the Stiffs."

Jim Baker, senior, comments, "I'm glad they started quiz bowl because it's fun and the whole school enjoys it."


Two quiz bowl teams compete during lunch hour. Pictured are the members of the varsity quiz bowl team: front row (l. to r.): J. Brox, J. Caudle, J. Baker, back row: M. Long and E. Wood.

Becky Leatherman, Stacy Lentz, and Matt Everhart argue about who will push the button.

Eric Wood, Jim Baker, and Mike Long are simply shocked that they got the answer right.
Pep Club Active Once Again

In the past two years, Midway has not had an organized pep club. Perhaps the reason for this is that the girls are involved in many activities already, and a pep club represents one more responsibility, said Mr. Hawkins, principal. He also brought out a good point when he said, "In the past, the student body was promoting spirit although there was not an organized pep club."

At the beginning of the year, a meeting was held to see if there were enough girls interested, and it was decided to start Pep Club again.

Some of the girls who chose not to join the Pep Club feel that they have just as much spirit as the girls who did join. Becky Leatherman, freshman, said, "I didn't join the Pep Club because I can't watch the game and do the cheers at the same time."

Some people have always felt that the Pep Club rules are too restrictive. "There has always been a problem with enforcing Pep Club rules," said Angie Hager, vice-president of Pep Club.

Some people like the Pep Club and feel it is important; others would rather not be organized. Anne Joyce, junior, said, "The truth remains that with or without an organized Pep Club, the school spirit remains at Midway."


At the final game of the Elwood tournament, the worried crowd watches as the boys play for first place.

The crowd is enthusiastic as Midway defeats Tescot for Sub-State.
Cheerleaders
Lift Spirit

"Go! Fight! Win!" are the familiar sounds many people hear during the Midway games.

Sheryl Cluck stated, "The cheerleaders have done a good job lifting team spirit in the crowds and also in themselves."

The cheerleading squad consists of six members: Angie Hager, head, senior; Jean Albers, junior; Kim Gordon, junior; Anne Joyce, junior; Kelli Norris, junior; and Angie Nigus, freshman.

Jean Albers, junior, said, "It gets you more involved in school but not too much. I tried out for cheerleader because I like to be rowdy and to show my school spirit." All the cheerleaders agreed that they became cheerleaders to show their school spirit.

Kelli Norris, junior, stated, "I tried out because it shows off your legs!"

The cheerleaders received an award at summer camp for their routine called "Beat It."

✓ Winning the first place trophy at the Elwood tournament, December 14, was a great challenge for the Midway girls. Since many of the cheerleaders are on the team, the yell leaders are there to cheer.

Anne Joyce waits patiently for the next cheer to start.

During the football playoff games, the weather was extremely cold.
Yell Leaders Assist Crowd

This is their first year in action. Midway High School introduced the yell leaders. The yell leaders were started because there weren't any cheerleaders to cheer at the girls' games.

Mrs. Winchester, yell leader and cheerleader sponsor, stated, "Some girls and I got together and decided to have yell leaders. It was unfair for the boys to be supported by a cheerleading squad and the girls to have no support. Carmer Albers, last year's head cheerleader, came up with the idea to get it started."

The yell leading squad consists of only three members: Sheryl Cluck, senior; Lisa Law, junior; and Shannon Hager, freshman.

When Lisa Law, junior, was asked if she felt she was competing with the cheerleaders, she responded, "In a way. The people don't take us as seriously as they do the cheerleaders."

Fifty-seven of the seventy-eight students surveyed agreed there would be yell leaders in the upcoming years. Sixty-five out of seventy-eight students stated they like having yell leaders.

The three 1985-86 Yell Leaders are from top to bottom: Lisa Law, Shannon Hager, and Sheryl Cluck.

“I like being a yell leader. It gives me a sense of responsibility, and I enjoy cheering,” states Sheryl Cluck.

Lisa Law and Sheryl Cluck try to keep the crowd interested. But as Lisa noted, “The people don’t take us as seriously as they do the cheerleaders.”
The band this year is larger than in the past few years because the classes coming into the junior high and the high school are larger than normal.

Mrs. Shavaun Vernon, the director of the band, said, "The majority of the band is underclassmen, but by the time the students are good enough, they quit playing in the band." Although the band is mostly underclassmen, Mrs. Vernon said that the individual improvement is good.

Mrs. Vernon decided to try something new by having a majorette to lead the band; she wanted to try something different from past years.

Kellie Norris, junior, this year's majorette, said, "I like being the majorette because I feel it keeps the band in order."

The band performed in parades in this area, state contests, programs for the holidays, graduation, and during the home football games.

Jean Albers, junior, said, "The band is fun except the times we perform without practicing because we may make a mistake."

The band plays "Send in the Clowns" as a few clowns march along side the band at the Hiawatha Halloween parade.

Krista Keys shows off her conducting talent as Teresa Rush plays the accompaniment.

"Left, left, right, left," says Kellie Norris to the band as they perform at a home football game.


The chorus is conducted by Mrs. Janis Henry, a former band and chorus teacher at Midway.

Mrs. Henry commented, "The chorus is smaller and the students are active in more activities than the students were when I taught here before." She also said, "One can be more specific when teaching only chorus than when teaching band and chorus."

Like the band, the chorus consists mostly of underclassmen. Mrs. Henry said that this affects their performance because of the voice differences.

Sheryl Cluck, senior, said, "Chorus isn't what it used to be."

Stacy Lentz, sophomore, added, "It would be better if the students would be more serious."

The chorus performed a Christmas program, in state contests, and for the PTO.
School is an important part of everyone’s life and the memories are many. But time changes and people change, and that’s why we’ve taken the time to “freeze” moments of your time at Midway High. Obviously we can’t capture every moment, but we’ve tried to get the most memorable: that special friend you couldn’t have made it through the year without or that teacher that never seemed to like you. This is all a part of us and we sincerely hope you have enjoyed the way we have presented the good times and the bad times.

A big problem in getting the yearbook done was just that, getting it done.

Angie Hager, senior, submits the following advice for next year’s yearbook staff, “We’ve found out how hard it is to produce a yearbook. You need to take it as a serious job and not just as “fun-hour.” If you don’t do this from day one, you’re in deep trouble.”

Publishing the yearbook is not easy. Deadlines come very quickly and you never seem to be done when they do arrive. Very often you meet the deadline only to find that it isn’t done correctly. It is very important to take the time to do it right.

Jamie Hundertmark, senior staff member, says, “You always seem to be taking more time fixing your mistakes than you do writing stories and creating layouts. It is essential that you do it right the first time.”

The staff had a hard time completing the yearbook, but with Mrs. Stillings directing and often pushing us, we got it done on time and in good shape. Much credit should go to Mrs. Stillings for all her time, effort, and nerves she used to help us.

We don’t want it to appear as if we didn’t enjoy making the yearbook. We enjoyed it, but it requires much time and work. So, for the future yearbook staff members, we urge you to take pride in the school and what you create that reflects the school.

We, the 1986 yearbook staff, salute you.

The yearbook staff includes standing (l. to r.): Eric Wood, Angie Hager, Melinda Anderson, and Max Laverent, seated, Jim Baker, Susan Purmort, and Regina Thomas. Not pictured is Jamie Hundertmark.

J. Baker, J. Hundertmark, and A. Hager, act as if they are working on the yearbook.

Regina Thomas writes her story in record time.

Jamie Hundertmark works on homework instead of the yearbook as Miss Spinuzzi, the student teacher, spaces off into oblivion.
Jeff Caudle, senior member of National Honor Society, realizes that basketball season is almost over.

Students were able to buy extra portions of lunch because of Stu-Co’s persistence and influence.

Could these people possibly be the future members of National Honor Society? Here they goof off during a chorus class.

Kim Gordon, junior, and Angie Nigus, freshman, perform during a pep rally.

Is Susan Perrett, senior member of National Honor Society, really this interested in physics? Get on it! Be serious!
Dedicated Winners

"It's a game the entire community surrounding Midway will never forget. I'm sure Tescott won't forget it either," commented Jamie Hundertmark, senior, on the thrilling 26-21, come-from-behind victory over the Tescott Trojans in Sub-state football action.

With Midway 60 yards away from the goal line, they trailed Tescott 21-20 in the game with only three minutes remaining in the game. As the nervous but somewhat confident Midway fans cheered on the sidelines, the Eagles marched sixty yards downfield with Todd Caudle, freshman quarterback, scoring from the seven yardline with 1:09 left in the game. The Midway defense held them the rest of the game to earn a berth to the state championship football game.

The most surprising story to come from the season may have been the ability of a freshman Todd Caudle to lead the team to another state championship. For the season, Todd rushed 149 times for 1275 yards, while passing 113 times, completing 56 for 835 yards and 15 touchdowns.

Todd commented on his poise, saying, "The first game, I was really nervous, but after awhile, I just concentrated on doing my assignments and ignored the pressure."

The Eagles won their fourth state championship in five years by beating Lenora 60-14 in Russell. Midway was 12-0 on the season to improve their already remarkable 5-year record to 53-4. Midway also had a 22 game winning streak, the longest in Kansas high school football.

Marty Joyce, senior, was a standout as he earned a spot on the West squad in the Shrine Bowl played in August of 1986.
A knee injury sustained in the Stewartsburg game kept Pat Urban, junior, on the sidelines most of the season.

“Victory is, oh, so good!” Jim Baker, senior, celebrates as Coach Juhl looks on in satisfaction.

Pat Becker, sophomore, is the only player that stands between a Bern opponent and a touchdown. Midway defeated Bern 76-43, and in doing so, advanced to the state playoffs.

With the pressure on, Midway rises to the occasion as they stop Bern close to their own goal line.

The JV football team always gives their all to score a touchdown. The JV’s record was 3-0 on the season.

Players on the Eagle football team strive to improve themselves in each practice by giving 100 percent.
In beating Bern 76-43, Midway advanced to the state playoffs.

Coach Juhl and Martin see all the hard work and practice pay off as their team defeats another opponent.

Joe Underwood, freshman, brings down a Dekalb ball carrier for a loss in JV action.

Todd Caudle, freshman, leads the Eagle offense to another touchdown with a fine performance.

Form is the name of the game and Pat Docter, sophomore, enjoys showing his off.
The 1995 cross country team includes front row (l. to r.): M. Brox, J. Baker, P. Becker, back row: D. Meredith, M. Everhart.

M. Everhart, junior, holds position for a quick shot.

(CC's Future Looks Bright

This year's cross-country team may not have made it to state or have won many meets, but the younger members of the team showed great promise for the future.

Dennis Meredith, junior, said, "I did better than in years past. I surprised myself on how well I did."

The team had four solid runners and were in need of a fifth runner to be able to qualify for their team to place at a meet.

Jim Baker, senior, finally volunteered for the chore. Jim, said, "It felt good running those two long and vigorous miles; it clears the mind of all pressure and gives me a chance to think."

Mr. Jim Leathman, coach, explained why his team didn't do so well, "Mike, Michael, Pat, and Dennis ran mostly together no one really came out and became a leader."

At Regionals Mike Everhart missed state by one runner; he came in 11, Pat Becker, 17; Dennis Meredith, 21; Michael Brox, 28; and Jeff Caudle, senior, took Jim Baker's place because of illness and ran 31.

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Eagle Volleyball Gets It Together!

Last year, the volleyball word was screamwork, but this year it is teamwork! The team this year was a much tighter-knit unit.

Angie Hager, senior, said, "It was much better this year. Everyone just seemed to get along!"

But even though the teamwork was improved, the season was still rough. Injuries plagued the team, and while they had good depth in substitute players, Kim Gordon, junior, commented, "It is always easier to play with the people that you are used to playing with." The injuries all came in the form of twisted ankles, and they all happened, at some time during the season, to all of these junior starters: Jean Albers, Kim Gordon, Shelli Hager, and Kellie Norris.

Despite injuries, the team did well, finishing 13-12, a winning season.

« Kellie Norris, junior, stretches to keep the ball going.

» Their opponents cringe in fear as the Eagles show their form. Pictured are Shelli Hager, Kim Gordon, and Anne Joyce, juniors.

» Angie Hager, senior, and Jean Albers, junior, wait for Kim Gordon’s set to be spiked.
The varsity volleyball team includes these girls, front row (l. to r.): S. Lentz, J. Albers, S. Hager; middle row: A. Hager, A. Joyce; back row: K. Schuetz, K. Keys, K. Holzhey, K. Gordon, and K. Norris.

"This is Mr. Ninemire’s head!" thinks Angie Hager, senior, as she slams her serve over the net.


Hard practice is one of the things that made the Eagles better this year. Pictured are Anne Joyce, Kaitie Norris, and Shelli Hager, juniors; Stacy Lentz, sophomore; and Teresa Rush, freshman.
Girls Overcome Shortness

The girls' basketball team had a David and Goliath year since they rarely had the luxury of being the same height as their opponents! The average height on the team is 5' 4" and the tallest girl is 5' 9". This may seem to put the odds against them, but as Coach Jim Leatherman said, "We've always been shorter than everyone else, so we don't even think about it. Rebound position is more important than height, and our inside girls move well." They do indeed, as do their guards. The girls finished their season 12-10.

►► It's a struggle for the rebound at the Wathena girls game.
► Angie Hager, senior, demonstrates the bunny-hop, Mr. Leatherman's favorite drill.

▲ The J.V. finds defense an important part of the game of basketball.
▲ The varsity press was very effective this year.
► The girls line up for a free-throw.

The varsity girls include back row from (l. to r.): J. Albers, A. Hager; front row, K. Gordon, A. Joyce, K. Norris, and S. Hager.

David Johnson practices his shooting form in the locker room before the game.

Pat Becker dribbles the ball down court to set up the offense for two points.

Mr. Martin takes a break from coaching for a few minutes to read the paper.

Jim Ricklefs and Pat Becker stretch out in the locker room before the game.

Todd Caudle goes up for two points against JCN.
The boys' basketball team consisted mostly of underclassmen, but the underclassmen contributed quickness to the team. Mr. Martin, coach, said, "We don't have a "BIG" man as far as height goes, but we have had a super season from Ric, Tim, and Neil inside. They get a lot done for no taller than they are."

It has been very enjoyable working with this year's squad, said Mr. Martin, coach, "the seniors came through and gave us positive leadership."

The team finished third in the immaculata tournament with the team hustle award and Tim Becker, senior, elected to the all-tournament team. The team finished first in the Elwood invitational tournament. To add to the winnings, the freshmen team won the Midway freshmen tournament.

"Throughout the season, the team continued to reach for their goals, which are to play as a team and to give 100% effort," added Mr. Martin. "We will miss the 1985-86 seniors, but we have good young players to look forward to next year."

The season ended with a 13-9 record.
Joy of Victory, Agony of Defeat

Track this year was a major achievement for some of the tracksters. People threw farther and ran faster than any time before. The “hogs” conned new oinker shirts from Mr. Leatherman.

The girls’ track team was as good as expected; most of the girls are still young, sophomores and freshmen. “Next year the girls will be better if they put forth more effort and show some determination,” said Mr. Ninemire, coach.

“Track in my mind was great, and for the first time I ever went out for track. It may have been hard, but it was fun,” commented Eric Wood, senior.

With 58 points, Midway won first place at regionals at Marysville although no one placed at the state track meet.

Jeff Godfrey won first in the 100 meter dash and the 200 meter dash. In the 400 meter relay, second place was taken by Marty Joyce, Todd Caudle, Michael Brox, and Jeff Godfrey. Also in the 1600 meter relay, third place was won by Jeff Caudle, Todd Caudle, Mike Everhart, and Jeff Godfrey. Also qualifying for state competition was Jeff Caudle who won second in the 110 meter hurdles and Ric Baird who won third in the shot put competition.

▲ Mr. Leatherman watches as Jim Baker, senior, pole vaults.

▲ Pat Becker, sophomore, tries his hardest to make six feet.

▲ Some of the girls’ track team discuss their grueling track practice with Mr. Ninemire.

PEOPLE
The senior class officers are (front to back) Mike Long, pres.; Ric Baird, vice-pres.; Susan Purmort, sec.; and Jeff Caudle, treas.

The junior class officers are (top to bottom) Kim Gordon, vice-pres.; Lisa Law, sec.; Krista Keys, treas.; and Heidi Underwood, pres.

The sophomore class officers are (clockwise) Stacy Lentz, treas.; Ryan Winchester, vice-pres.; Kari Helchen, sec.; and Kristi Schuetz, pres.

The freshman class officers are (front row l. to r.) Teresa Rush, treas.; Angie Nigus, sec.; (back row) Keith Courtin, vice-pres.; and Kelli Walsh, pres.
The seniors study hard in federal government. (We learned about sarcasm in English.)

Shelly receives her eighth grade diploma from Hayden Elder.

Eric plots to do away with more chipmunks and toads.

Susan was a newcomer in her junior year.

At their eighth grade graduation, the girls are looking good. Front row (l. to r.) are S. Cluck and M. Anderson; back row, A. Hager, S. Nimz, and R. Betts.

Some of the seniors get spring fever and move the bench outside.

Tim is happy about Spring.
Time Passed So Fast

As Spring approaches and the snow melts away, the seniors of '86 await their graduation day.

In our younger years it seemed, being a senior was only a dream.

Now that this dream has come true at last, they find that this year is going much too fast.

From elementary to junior high, they thought the years would never go by.

But through the struggle and all the strife, they finally made it to the high school life.

Now that they are here, the seniors rule; they leave their mark upon this school.

Many accomplishments they have to their names, including three state football games.

Although there were troubles along the way, everything worked out okay.

One thing they know, they did their best; they gave their all to the M.H.S.
Mike Long makes his famous “fish lips.”

Look at that handsome work of art, not Marty Joyce, but the mural.

Jim Baker, always one to argue, defies gravity.

A Red Letter Day: The last confirmed day Melinda was seen brushing her teeth.

“I’m not kidding, her nose is this long!” says Michael Brox as he talks about women during a big poker game.
1986:
It was the best of times
It was the worst of times

The senior class of 1986 is a unique class although we have many differences in personalities. One thing we have in common is the funny memories we share.

Looking back at elementary school, the seniors recall many funny memories. Young "romances" are always fun to remember. At the age of six, Jamie Hundermark and Marla Lossen were found under a pile of coats in the coat room. Jamie insists, "I was not!"

Over the years, several people have drifted in and out of the class, some of whom we will probably never forget. We remember Shauna Young and those skimpy bloomers she wore to school. Another person we remember is Gary Holcomb and his little episode in kindergarten.

Along with other memories are the memories of teachers. We all remember Miss Reimond, our tall teacher, who gave us swats every day. And who could forget Mr. Wind, the teacher who helped our class earn our reputation. Last, but not least, was our favorite elementary school teacher, Miss Tull, who was the only teacher that laughed at everything we did. By the way, she was also the most intelligent teacher because she's the only one that acknowledged our humor.

Besides all the fun memories, everything was not always on the up and up. It was the best of times, it was the worst of times.

The worst of times was sitting in those dreaded hour classes and thinking they'd never end, those ten-page federal government term papers we started the night before they were due, all those tests we never studied for and thought we'd never pass, all those school lunches (including beanie weenies) we thought we'd never get down, all those practices we thought we'd never survive, all the put downs, when we thought we'd never pick ourselves up, all the differences of opinion we thought we'd never work out, all those dreaded mornings when we had to drag ourselves out of bed.

But we did it! And that's how some of the best of times came about. The best of times was the thrill of victory three times over at the state football games, the good feeling we got when the teacher handed back a paper with a big "A" on it, when that special someone said, "Hey, how about a date?", when school was canceled because of snow, the applause (if any) at the end of the play, a free day in federal government, the times when the class got together and did something as a group, that feeling of satisfaction when we bombed that certain someone with leftover food on our tray after the teachers had left the lunchroom, the feeling we got when people told us we had just played a great game, the authority of being a senior, and last but certainly not least, the anticipation and thrill of graduation.

"All memories of yesterday will last a lifetime. We'll take the best, forget the rest, and someday we'll find... these are the best of times."
Melinda Anderson
Track — 1
Pep Club — 1
Class Officer — 1, 3
Jr. and Sr. Plays — 3, 4
Band — 1, 2
Chorus — 1
Stu-Co — 4
Snowball Cand. — 2
Homecoming Cand. — 4
N.H.S. — 3, 4
Quiz Bowl — 3, 4
Publications — 4

Michael Brox
Basketball — 1, 2, 3
Football — 2
Track — 1, 2, 3, 4
Cross Country — 1, 2, 3, 4
M-Club — 2, 3, 4
Jr. and Sr. Plays — 3, 4
Band — 1
N.H.S. — 2, 3, 4
Quiz Bowl — 3, 4
Kansas Scholar — 4

Ric Baird
Basketball — 1, 2, 3, 4
Football — 1, 2, 3, 4
Track — 3, 4
M-Club — 1, 2, 3, 4
Class Officer — 4
Jr. and Sr. Plays — 3, 4
Stu-Co. — 3, 4
Snowball Cand. — 2
Homecoming Cand. — 4

Jeff Caudle
Basketball — 1, 2, 3,
4
Football — 1, 2, 3, 4
Track — 1, 2, 3, 4
Cross Country — 2
M-Club — 2, 3, 4
Class Officer 2, 3, 4
Jr. and Sr. Plays — 
3, 4
Band — 2, 3
Stu-Co. — 1
Snowball Cand. — 4
N.H.S. — 2, 3, 4
Kansas Scholar — 4
Quiz Bowl — 3, 4

Jim Baker
Basketball — 1, 4
Football — 1, 2, 3, 4
Track — 1, 2, 3, 4
Cross Country — 4
M-Club — 2, 3, 4
Jr. and Sr. Plays — 3, 4
Band — 1, 3
Chorus — 3, 4
Stu-Co. — 4
Quiz Bowl — 3, 4
Publications — 4

Sheryl Cluck
Track — 1, 3
Pep Club — 1, 4
Yell Leader — 4
Jr. and Sr. Plays — 3, 4
Band — 1, 2
Chorus — 1, 2, 3
Stu-Co. — 2
Homecoming — 4

Tim Becker
Basketball — 1, 2, 3, 4
Football — 1, 2, 3, 4
Track — 3, 4
M-Club — 2, 3, 4
Class Officer — 1
Junior Play — 3
Homecoming Cand. — 4
Quiz Bowl — 3, 4

Jeff Godfrey
Football — 2, 3, 4
Track — 2, 3, 4
M-Club — 2, 3, 4
Jr. and Sr. Plays — 
3, 4
Homecoming Cand.
— 4
Transferred — 2
Angie Hager
Basketball — 1, 2, 3, 4
Volleyball — 1, 2, 3, 4
Track — 1
Cheerleader — 3, 4
Pep Club — 1, 4
Class Officer — 1, 2, 3
Jr. and Sr. Plays — 3, 4
Chorus — 1
Stu-Co. — 1, 2, 3
Snowball Cand. — 1, 3
N.H.S. — 3, 4
Quiz Bowl — 3, 4
Publications — 4

Jamie Hundertmark
Jr. and Sr. Plays — 3, 4
Publications — 4
Show Choir — 3

Marty Joyce
Basketball — 1, 2, 3
Football — 1, 2, 3, 4
Track — 1, 3, 4
M-Club — 1, 2, 3, 4
Jr. and Sr. Plays — 3, 4
Snowball Cand. — 3

Mark Laverentz
Basketball — 1, 2, 3
Football — 4
Track — 2, 4
Cross Country — 2
M-Club — 2, 3, 4
Class Officer — 1
Jr. Play — 3
Snowball Cand. — 1
Quiz Bowl — 3, 4
Publications — 4

Mike Long
Class Officer — 3, 4
Jr. and Sr. Plays — 3, 4
Band — 1, 2, 3, 4
Chorus — 1, 2, 3, 4
Publications — 3
Show Choir — 3
Manager — 3, 4

Michelle Nimz
Basketball — 1
Volleyball — 1
Pep Club — 1
Jr. and Sr. Plays — 3, 4
Chorus — 1, 2, 3
Snowball Cand. — 4

Todd Parker
Basketball — 3, 4
Jr. and Sr. Plays — 3, 4

Susan Purmort
Volleyball — 3
Track — 3
Jr. and Sr. Plays — 3, 4
Homecoming Cand. — 4
N.H.S. — 3, 4
Quiz Bowl — 3, 4
Kansas Scholar — 4
Publications — 4
Transferred — 3
Class Officer — 4

Regina Thomas
Publications — 4
Sr. Play — 4
Transferred — 4

Eric Wood
Football — 2
M-Club — 3, 4
Jr. and Sr. Plays — 3, 4
Quiz Bowl — 3, 4
Publications — 4
Football Mgr. — 1
Pat Urban and Dennis Meredith set up for spirit week.
Kellie Norris is a clown during Homecoming week.

Jean Albers
Leighanna Cerami
Melissa Coy
Mike Everhart
Kim Gordon

Shelli Hager
Steve Jamvold
Anne Joyce
Krista Keys
Lisa Law

Dennis Meredith
Kellie Norris
Gaye Lynn Patterson
J. R. Peuker
Pat Tharp

Pat Urban
Heidi Underwood
Rick Wood
This year the juniors have three sponsors instead of two, which really helps getting the 1986 prom together. Heidi Underwood said, “Last year our sponsor was not very active or helpful, but this year the sponsors and mothers work a great deal for us.”

Anne Joyce and Shelli Hager both agree that the class as a whole has become more helpful and is willing to work a little harder to get their jobs done. Anne also added that the boys have helped more this year than last year.

Rick Wood said, “The boys really don’t have any choice in the matter because they are always out-voted by the girls.”

The juniors sold magazines and had a dinner theater to help increase their class savings.

Lisa Law and Krista Keys have the outdoor look for their day. Mike Everhart poses as Superman but without the cape. Steve Jarnvold takes a break to get his picture taken.

Steve Jarnvold, Pat Tharp, and J. R. Peuker show the Midway enthusiasm during lunch hour. Anne Joyce and Jean Albers try out the new whirlpool.
Thomas Albers, sophomore, thinks he's quite the stud, but most at M.H.S. think otherwise.

Some sophomores take time away from their showers to notice our female photographer.

Thomas Albers
Marlo Anderson
Pat Becker
Neil Caudle
Barry Coy

Matt Everhart
Kari Holzhey
Al Lomke
Stacy Lentz
Debbie Miller

Jennifer Page
Jesse Pierce
Jim Ricklefs
Terri Russell
Kristi Schuetz

Marlin Thomas
Bridgette Walker
Ryan Winchester
Everyone's sophomore year is one of change because you're no longer a "little freshman" for everyone to pick on. Being a sophomore also brings on new responsibilities and harder classes, but after being a freshman, they have a better idea of what high school life is all about.

Marlo Anderson, sophomore, said that being a sophomore isn't too bad. "It's not too bad. Being a freshman was a little bit funner, but now we have a better idea of what we're supposed to do and how to do it."

But not all sophomores agreed with her. Jesse Pierce, sophomore, said that being a sophomore could be better. "I feel like a roll of toilet paper, just used and then thrown away."

However one feels about being a sophomore, there is added responsibility, but after being a freshman, one would be well adapted to high school life.

This year's sophomores worked very hard selling magazines and cheese to earn money needed to have next year's prom and paying for their senior trip.
Bigger Class
Bigger Profit

Although the freshman class lost four students from last year, they are still the largest class in the high school. They began the year by selling magazines and were the top sellers in the high school.

Todd Caudle said, "The class is large enough that if everyone contributes, it can put the class off to a good start."

When some of the freshmen were asked how high school differs from junior high, Travis Peuker and Keith Walsh both agreed that there is more freedom in the high school. Travis adds, "It is better because I can walk around the halls more and am able to go to the gym during my study hall."

During spirit week the freshmen had twin-day, clown-day, dress-up-day, and graffiti-day.

Freshman Todd Caudle and senior Jamie Hundertmark show their best spirit during Spirit week.
The freshman P.E. class listens to Mr. Martin explain the rules for their next game.

William Denton works his puppet routine during a break in the basketball game.

Virginia Langley
Becky Leatherman
Sandy Matthais
Angie Nigus

Ethan Orcutt
Dawn Page
Scott Parker
Loris Peuker

Travis Peuker
Kim Purmort
Teresa Rush
Teresa Simpson

Logan Smith
Joseph Underwood
Keith Walsh
Heather Zeit
Cooperation Helps This Year

This year was a good year for the student-administration/board relationship. The administration scheduled entertainments such as the amazing Dr. Shafton, and they interacted with Stu-co to get a better school lunch program, and the cooperation seemed to be effective.

The members of the school board, however, are the ones that are worthy of the praise. They felt that the dress code at Midway’s prom was too loose, and they were going to set up a code to enforce, but they decided after the meeting to put their trust in the board to rectify the situation. Their trust wasn’t broken as the students came through and stayed dressed the whole night. For their trust in us, Jim Baker and the whole student body would like to thank Lowell Anderson, Charles Holzhey, Kathy Albers, Charles (Bud) Gordon, Paul Johnson, Gerald Brox, and Sue Rush. Thank you for giving us a chance.

▶ ▶ The board members are from (l. to r.): Paul Johnson, Sue Rush, Kathy Albers, Lowell Anderson, and Charles (Bud) Gordon. The members not pictured are Charles Holzhey and Gerald Brox.

▶ Mark Laverenz shakes Gerald Brox’s hand as he receives his diploma, which he hopes is signed.

▶ Mr. Robert Albers, superintendent, has been here for three years.

▶ ▶ Mr. Herb Hawkins, principal, is known for his morning announcements with his famous saying “good wholesome delicious milk” and his trivia questions.
Ms. Bartley, librarian and sophomore sponsor, was a newcomer to Midway this year. The library has really shaped up this year and she's always there ready to help you with anything. Susan Purmort, senior, said, "I probably would have never gotten my term paper done without her help." Welcome to Midway, Ms. Bartley.

Mr. Martin, physical education teacher, head boy's basketball coach, assistant football coach, and one of the senior sponsors, has been here for four years. Mr. Martin is a well-liked teacher because he can relax and have fun with the kids. Jim Baker, senior, said, "He was a fun sponsor to have along on sneek, even if he was a bit pokey on the go-cart track!"

The picture of the eagle was one of Mrs. Moulden's great works. She had the idea to paint murals around the school to brighten things up. The other mural was done by Susan Purmort and Melinda Anderson. Mrs. Moulden encourages creativity among her students. She arranged for several students to get to go to the Highland Art Contest this year. Thanks, Mrs. Moulden!
This year, a change was made in the music department. In past years, one music teacher was hired to teach elementary band and chorus and another was hired to teach high school band and chorus. This year Mrs. Henry taught both elementary and high school chorus and Mrs. Vernon taught both elementary and high school band. This division of power seems to help the music department run smoothly. Stacy Lentz, sophomore, commented, "I thought that the division of teachers was a good idea because they were more capable in each specialized area."

- The high school band waits eagerly to play for half time at a football game.
- Mrs. Henry practices for a music concert with the junior high.

- A special music event this year was the Doniphan County music clinic held at Midway.
- The singers take a break after singing their hearts out at the music clinic.
Midway Provides Lifetime Skills

Mr. Juhl, industrial arts teacher, assistant girl's basketball coach, and head football coach, plays a very important part at Midway. As football coach, Mr. Juhl has led the Eagles to four state championships. Mr. Juhl will not be teaching at Midway next year and he will be missed by many. Good luck Mr. Juhl.

Mrs. Roberts, home economics teacher, junior class sponsor, and pep club sponsor likes teaching at Midway. When asked how she felt about teaching here, Mrs. Roberts said, "It's a relaxed atmosphere. We're a small school and we have a closer working relationship with the students."

Mr. Juhl is proud after receiving the coach of the year award.

"Will this class ever end?" wonders Mrs. Roberts.

Jeanie Joyce presents Mr. Juhl with the coach of the year award.

Mrs. Roberts plans for prom. As a junior sponsor, this is another job she does.
Old Timers at Midway

Mrs. Stillings has been at dear ol' Midway for eight years. She has seen many fine and bad students pass through English class. She also teaches publications class. It's the most nerve racking job there is, but somebody has to do it.

Mrs. Stillings was asked if she liked being at Midway or would rather be at a larger school. "Yes, I really love Midway. I want to stay and never go home."

"Over the years Mrs. Stillings has drilled into our heads many things we need. She kept us in check all the time and made us work," said Eric Wood, senior.

School needs discipline to get things done and control the students. Mrs. Stillings has done that.

Mr. Leatherman works diligently on the awards supper to honor our students. Keith Courtin, freshman, tries to fake a book report to Mrs. Stillings.

Mr. Leatherman is more than just the math teacher here at Midway. He is the girls' basketball coach, cross country coach, boys' track coach, athletic director, quiz bowl coach, and senior sponsor. That is a great deal of work to be placed upon one person in a year's time.

"Mr. Leatherman is a good teacher. You feel comfortable in his class. He jokes around with his students," said Angie Hager, senior.

Mr. Leatherman has been here at Midway the longest of all the teachers 14 years. "He can be exasperating at times and very inquisitive, but he makes you learn," said Jim Baker, senior.

Mr. Martin and Mr. Leatherman organize the new football jerseys for the players.
Required Classes

Midway is only one of the many schools where Mr. Penix (with a long e) has taught. Jim Baker comments, "He's an experienced teacher and he's fully experienced life. He had many interesting stories to tell us, and we will never forget him," commented Jim Baker.

Susan Purmort can't face Mr. Penix after making a mess in the darkroom.

The Physics class takes a break of fun during the tough physics hour.

Mr. Ninemire's jobs include history teacher, volleyball coach, girls' track coach, student council sponsor, and drivers ed. teacher. Susan Purmort, senior, says, "He was really fun to have along on field trips."

Mr. Ninemire picked this pose for the yearbook because he felt it showed his true personality.

Mike Long watches over Mr. Ninemire to make sure he doesn't make any mistakes grading his paper.
Mr. Baird, our counselor, National Honor Society sponsor, psychology teacher, and senior play director, is responsible for many of the accomplishments at Midway. Mr. Baird is always there ready to help the students when they need him. Mr. Baird is the guy they come to if they have a problem. Mr. Baird helps the seniors with their college plans. The percentage of students going on to college has increased in the past six years that Mr. Baird has been at Midway. We appreciate you, Mr. Baird!

Mrs. Winchester is our business teacher at Midway. Her business classes are very valuable to the students since they provide a basic background for typing, record keeping, tax forms, budgeting, and other skills. Besides teaching business classes, she is also the high school girl's cheerleading sponsor. Mrs. Winchester has been teaching at Midway for seven years. Thanks Mrs. Winchester!

Mrs. Winchester helps Barry Coy with the computer. This has been a long day.

Mr. Baird helps Lawrence Christopher, freshman, with his schedule for next year.

Part of Mr. Baird's job is administering, scoring, and reporting tests.
Without certain people, Midway couldn’t function. Midway’s bus drivers are Charlie Meredith, Chet Jamvold, Florine Tharp, Jasper Burdette, and Jim Helmstetter. Mike Johnson was also a bus driver at the beginning of the year.

Office workers are Bonnie Winchester, Tina Hutchinson, and Julie Jamvold.

The janitors who keep our building clean are Richard Miller and Nancy Helmstetter.

Last, but not least, are our cooks who make our lunches every day: Rosemary Dodge, Jeanette Gronninger, and Mary Diebolt.

▲ Nobody rides the bus unless they have to. The senior’s privilege is parking in front.
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*This is a job for Richard and Nancy!*
▼ The cooks spent many long hours preparing delicious meals.

▼▼ Jeff will go crazy if he has to ride the bus.
▼▼▼ This floor was made shiny by Richard Miller.
▼▼▼▼ Besides working in the office, Bonnie also helps out in the kitchen.
"Look out, high school, here we come!" exclaimed the eighth graders when asked if they were ready to be freshmen next year.

"We enjoy each other's company," stated Joel Hundertmark. All students said they thought they got along rather well as a group.

"There's friendship among us; we feel comfortable around each other," replied Shauna and Denise Wood.

"Junior high has taught us to be more responsible. For example, we remember our pencils and books and get to class on time," stated ten out of eighteen students.

Erin Staudemaier exclaimed, "It has also taught us not to walk in a straight line anymore!"

"I've learned how to listen to adults more closely than I've done before," said Kelley Urban.

Jim Albers said that junior high has taught him that to get what you want, you have to work for it.

Amy Betts teaches Rebecca Gregory and B. J. Gordon the ways to annoy a teacher and not get into trouble.

Jim Albers
Amy Betts
Chris Bird
Elaine Callahan
Dianna Collins
Jennifer Dodge
Arthur Goodman
Brenda Gordon

Rebecca Gregory
Joel Hundertmark
Sandy Jamvold
Kenny Klaus
Stacie Ninemire
Joel Parker
Donald Peuker
Shane Pierce

Karen Ricklefs
Elizabeth Staff
Erin Staudemaier
Curtis Swinford
Kelley Urban
Denise Wood
Shauna Wood
Brian Yandell
Curtis Swinford looks frantically for a teammate who's open during a basketball game.

Erin Staudenmier and Kelcy Urban volunteer to be hypnotized during an assembly with other students.

"We need a break!" exclaimed the junior high cheerleaders as they chatted during a basketball game.

Several eighth graders talk during class time instead of doing their assignment.
High school is still a little ways off for the seventh graders. Only five of fifteen students said that they were ready for high school and that they couldn’t wait.

All fifteen students agree that their class shows enough school spirit. “We go to most of the games and root for our teams. We’re good sports so we don’t ‘boo’ for the other team when they make a basket,” said Kenny Christopher.

“Our class gets along really well. We’re cooperative with each other. We may talk a lot, but we’re still friends and we always work together,” stated Jennifer Dorrell, Bobbi Cluck, and Kerry Schuetz.

“We get along well because we fit so well together,” said Tisha Rush.

Apollo Boynton
Kenny Christopher
Bobbi Cluck
Mark Denton
Jennifer Dorrell
Jody Franken
Erik Helmstetter
Brad Holzhey
Penny Jarnvold

Kristi Manglesdorf
Danny Ricklefs
Tisha Rush
Kerry Schuetz
Roger Sutton
Virgil Van Cleave
John Wright
Not pictured:
Jeff Low
Being initiated by the seniors as a freshman is something the seventh graders can look forward to.

Some of the seventh grade girls enjoy the game as much as other junior high students.

Jody Frankan and Brad Holzhey laugh as they discover that Joseph Underwood is hypnotized during the assembly conducted by a hypnotist.

Sitting outside will be one of the privileges the seventh graders will have someday.
The junior high football team includes front row (l to r): D. Ricklefs, R. Holzhey, E. Helmstetter; middle row: J. Wright, J. Franken, J. Albers, J. Parker, C. Swinford; back row: Mr. Miller, coach, A. Goodman, S. Pierce, D. Peuker, Mr. Hawkins, coach and J. Parker, manager.


Junior high boys' basketball team includes (l to r): Mr. Blocker, coach, J. Low, E. Helmstetter, J. Albers, C. Swinford, J. Franken, B. Holzhey, D. Ricklefs, and Mr. Miller, coach.


Junior high cheerleaders include sitting (l to r): B. Gordon, K. Urban, J. Dodge; and standing: A. Betts.

Jim Albers fires out of the blocks while Sean Mix steps up to try it.
Mr. Blocker, the junior high math and science teacher, taught here 2 years. He also coached J.H. boys and girls track and assistant high school basketball.

Mr. Miller has been here 3 years. He teaches English and history. He also was assistant coach for J.H. football and head coach for boys and girls J.H. basketball.

Mrs. Madden teaches in the IRC room. She has been here for 2 years.

Mrs. Smith is a paraprofessional in the IRC room. She has been here for 3 years.

Mr. Blocker and Ron Dodge assist coaching boys' high school basketball.

Mrs. Madden teaches her students very hard.

Mrs. Smith watches over her students.
Everyone seems to notice the booster board and everyone realizes why it is there. We use this as an opportunity for our merchants to advertise. But the booster board serves a purpose beyond this.

Many people don’t realize that the boosters pay for a large amount of the huge yearbook expense. The student buys his yearbook for $12.00. But what people don’t know is that it costs the yearbook staff over $45.00 to publish only one yearbook. So on each and every yearbook, we owe over $33.00. Total, the yearbook staff owes the publishers $3,858. The school board decided to give $300 to aid in paying for the school’s yearbook. Much of the remaining $3,558 is paid for by boosters. They pay either $25.00, $50.00, or $75.00 for their ads, depending on the size of the ad. The total of all ads comes to $1,700.

Without these advertisers, the yearbook would not be possible. We greatly thank and appreciate the boosters for their help.

Seniors J. Hundertmark, S. Pumort and A. Hager purchase their senior pictures from McBee Photography, a booster.
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